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MILITARY ACTIVITY DAMASCUS, SYRIA

1. THE DAMASCUS AREA CONTAINS 12 INSTALLATIONS OF MILITARY SIGNIFICANCE
THAT WERE REPORTED ON NUMEROUS TALENT MISSIONS BETWEEN NOV 56 AND
FEB 60. WAS THE ONLY KH COVERAGE AND WAS OF SUCH
POOR QUALITY THAT ALL INSTALLATIONS WERE ID ONLY.

DAMASCUS ARMY BARRACKS QATANA, THE LARGEST OF THESE MILITARY INSTALLATIONS, IS LOCATED 12 NM SW OF DAMASCUS AND 2 NM NORTH OF QATANA. THE MILITARY COMPLEX COVERS 4 SQUARE MILES AND CONTAINS 10 ASSOCIATED FENCED AREAS WITH BARRACKS, ADMINISTRATION BUILDINGS, STORAGE BUILDINGS, VEHICLE MAINTENANCE BUILDINGS, 2 AMMUNITION STORAGE AREAS, AND A POSSIBLE POL STORAGE AREA.

2. THIS MISSION REVEALS THAT THE DAMASCUS ARMY BARRACKS QATANA CONTAINS 22 PROBABLE TANKS/SP GUNS, 53 POSSIBLE ARMORED PERSONNEL CARRIERS, 83 PROBABLE CARGO TRUCKS, 20 POSSIBLE UTILITY TRUCKS, 77 UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES, 15 POSSIBLE CARGO TRAILERS, 3 POSSIBLE FIELD ARTILLERY PIECES, AND 46 UNIDENTIFIED PIECES OF EQUIPMENT.

THIS MISSION ALSO REVEALS THAT A PREVIOUSLY REPORTED POSSIBLE RADAR INSTALLATION, 6 NM NE OF DAMASCUS, IS A SUPPORT AREA FOR A

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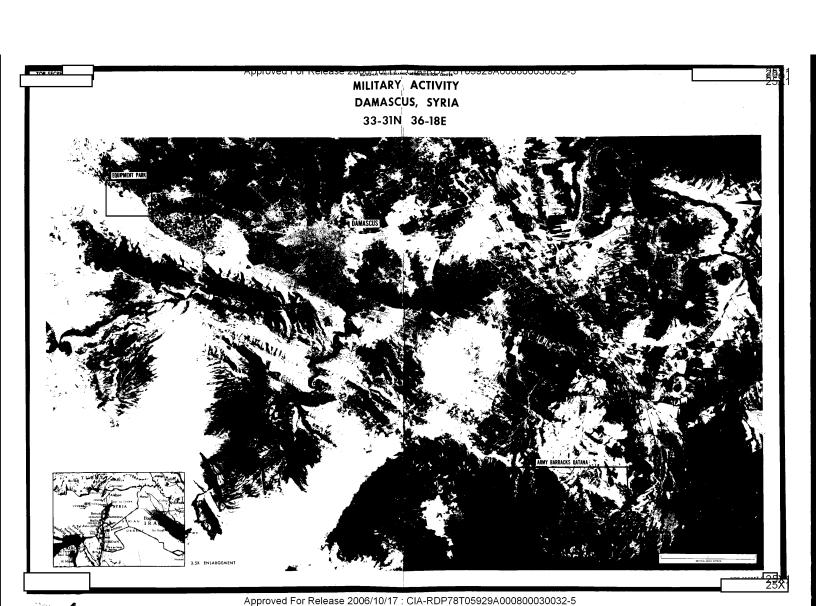
FOR A SECURED VEHICLE PARK. THE VEHICLE PARK, HERETOFORE UNREPORTED, CONTAINS 95 TANKS/SP GUNS, 40 POSSIBLE LOWBOY TRAILERS, 125 PROBABLE CARGO TRUCKS, 30 SMALL UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES/PIECES OF EQUIPMENT, AND 4 ROWS OF CLOSELY SPACED UNIDENTIFIED OBJECTS. APPROXIMATELY 300 UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES/PIECES OF EQUIPMENT ARE LOCATED ON THE NW SIDE OF THE VEHICLE PARK. A REANALYSIS SHOWS THAT THE VEHICLE PARK EXISTED AT THAT TIME, BUT DID NOT CONTAIN ANY TANKS.

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